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In re Patent Application of: Robert W. McMillan et al.	
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Title: COHERENT RADAR AND LADAR POLARIMETER	Examiner: Tu T. Nguyen

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) LETTER

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Respectfully submitted,

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